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# SilverLining

Nevada Talking Book Services

## Eligibility

Persons unable to read or use print materials as a result of a temporary or permanent visual or physical limitation.

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## *Always Lost: A Meditation on War*

An audio book of the literary work from the exhibition *Always Lost: A Meditation on War* was recorded by Nevada Talking Book Services (NTBS) for access by patrons of this program.

The idea for the exhibit happened in 2008 when Western Nevada College (WNC) sociology professor Don Carlson was stopped in his tracks by *The New York Times*' Roster of the Dead. "Four thousand faces of American military who had perished in Iraq stared at me," he said, "and I realized that this war has been perhaps one of the most impersonal wars the U.S. has ever fought."

Carlson and English Professor Marilee Swirczek developed a literary and visual arts exhibition to personalize Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. Kevin Burns, Major, USMC (Ret.) titled the exhibition *Always Lost: A Meditation on War* based on a quote by American writer Gertrude Stein: "War is never fatal but always lost. Always lost."

The NTBS audio book includes all of the original literary work from the exhibition including the original poetry, meditations and personal story of Army SPC Noah C. Pierce, who died by suicide after two combat tours in Iraq.

The exhibit invites contemplation of the individual and collective costs of all wars. From 2010-2016, the *Always Lost* exhibition was displayed at more than 50 venues nationwide. It is currently on display at WNC through July 29, 2016

To request this book, contact us by phone, mail or email using the information to the left of this article.

## New Periodicals Offered

### ***NWH News***

Nevada Talking Book Services is pleased to offer our patrons the opportunity to subscribe to the audio version of *NWH News, Nevada Women's History Project*. We have recently undertaken recording of this publication in digital format for our patron's enjoyment and enlightenment.

The mission of this quarterly publication is to "provide visibility and support for the gathering and dissemination of history about the roles and contributions of all Nevada women." Women of the past are researched in historical publications. Women who have made substantial contributions in their Nevada communities that are interviewed. The *NWH News* contains information about both historical and living Nevada women as well as other interesting articles about Nevada's women and ongoing events.

To contribute information about Nevada women or to learn about future events, please contact NWHP at 775-786-2335. Request the Nevada Women's History Project, follow the prompt, and leave a message.

### ***Mother Earth News***

*Mother Earth News* features articles on renewable energy, recycling, family farms, nutrition, medical self-care, organic gardening, outdoor recreation and affordable housing. This magazine approaches environmental problems from a practical standpoint. It is published six times a year.

### ***Guideposts***

Each monthly issue of *Guideposts* contains inspirational articles recounting how one's faith, or the wisdom of an older relative or mentor, helped him or her through a personal challenge. Topics include grief, poverty, relocation, serious personal or family illness, unemployment, and strained personal relationships. *Guideposts* is nonsectarian.

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**New Nevada Titles*****Maverick Spirit***

DBC04785

by Davies, Richard O.

Narrated by Lila Halpern

Fourteen biographical essays that explore the lives of some of our notable residents and the impact they had on the shaping of Nevada culture. Among them are leaders like Paul Laxalt, civil rights leader James McMillan, gambling industry's William F. Harrah, and even the former UNLV Runnin' Rebels coach, Jerry Tarkanian. 1999

***Blazing Heritage***

DBC04786

By Rothman, Hal.

Narrated by Millie Solley

Since the 1870s national parks have played a major role in the suppression of wildfires on public lands. Professor Rothman looks at how they helped shape federal fire management to use fire as a tool to control combustible material that grew unchecked as a result of decades of fire suppression. 2007.

***Haunted Carson City***

DBC04769

By Jones, Janet

Narrated by Shellee Martin-Snyder

The author presents the ghostly histories of the most haunted places in Carson City's historic district. 2012

***Motel Life***

DBC04772

By Vlautin, Willy

Narrated by Carol Kalleres

Two brothers who live in Reno are both high school dropouts. They work odd jobs to have enough money to support their alcohol habit and to be able to stay in cheap motels. Driving after a night of partying, Jerry Lee kills a boy on a bicycle in a hit and run. Rather than face the ramifications for what he did, he and his brother go on the run. Strong language, some violence, and descriptions of sex. 2006

***Cattle in the Cold Desert***

DBC04754

By Young, James A. and Abbott Sparks.

Narrated by Stanley Marshall

History of grazing the pristine northern Nevada Great Basin from the time settlers first arrived with herds of sheep and cattle, they found the arid land challenging with its with fiercely cold winters and scant forage. The ecological impact that the grazing had on the fragile sagebrush and grassland region was often tragic, but the pioneer herdsmen persevered. 2015

### Training Center for Southern Nevada Residents

A blindness skills training center in Southern Nevada is available to help individuals gain or regain independence by learning blindness life skills.

Angela's House, sponsored by Blindconnect, Inc, offers 90 hours of intensive blindness skills training for those aged 16 and older. Training includes daily living, cane travel, technology, personal care, communication and advocacy, coping and adjustment, and Braille.

Sessions meet 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for three weeks on Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday beginning the first Saturday of each month. Transportation is provided. The training is free; but there is a \$10 application fee.

In the first week, participants learn basic skill in seven core areas. Weeks two and three focus on learning skills to help them live independently and productively in the community.

For further information, contact Blindconnect at (702) 631-9009 , email [contact@blindconnect.org](mailto:contact@blindconnect.org), or web site [www.blindconnect.org](http://www.blindconnect.org).

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